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WALKER PRIZES.

BOSTON SOCIETY OF NATURAL HISTORY.

The following prizes were founded by the late Dr. William J. Walker, for the best memoirs, and in the English language, on subjects proposed by a committee appointed by the Council of said Society. The first and second are to be awarded annually; the third, once in five years, beginning 1870.

First—For the best memoir presented, a prize of sixty dollars may be awarded. If, however, the memoir be one of marked merit, the amount awarded may be increased to one hundred dollars, at the discretion of the committee.

Second—For the next best memoir, a prize not exceeding fifty dollars may be awarded at the discretion of the committee; but neither of the above prizes shall be awarded unless the memoirs presented shall be deemed of adequate merit.

Third—Grand Honorary Prize.—The Council of the Society may award the sum of five hundred dollars for such scientific investigation or discovery in natural history as they may think deserving thereof; provided such investigation or discovery shall have first been made known and published in the United States of America; and shall have been at the time of said award made known and published at least one year. If in consequence of the extraordinary merit of any such investigation or discovery, the Council of the Society should see fit, they may award therefor the sum of one thousand dollars.

Subject of the Annual Prize for 1866–7. “The fertilization of plants by the agency of insects, in reference both to cases where this agency is absolutely necessary, and where it is only accessory;” the investigations to be in preference directed to indigenous plants.

Subject for 1867–8. “Adduce and discuss the evidences of the co-existence of man and extinct animals, with the view of determining the limits of his antiquity.”

Memoirs offered in competition for the above prizes must be forwarded on or before April first, prepaid and addressed

“ Boston Society of Natural History, for the Committee on the Walker Prizes, Boston, Mass. ”



Each memoir must be accompanied by a sealed envelope enclosing the author's name, and superscribed by a motto corresponding to one borne by the manuscript.

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